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Space & Naval Warfare Systems Center Awards Contract

CHARLESTON -- The Hughes Institute of Roseville, Minn., is being awarded a grant totaling \$5,260,381 for work to develop a strategy which will allow the use of the Pokeweed Antiviral Protein (PAP) as a universal virus neutralizer. This grant was announced under the DARPA Broad Agency Announcement 98-25 (Pathogen Countermeasures) with 288 bids solicited and 33 bids received. Funding for the grant is comprised of Research, Development, Test and Evaluation funds of \$1,701,893; \$1,752,950; and \$1,805,538 for fiscal years 1999, 2000, and 2001 respectively. Contract funds will not expire at the end of the fiscal year. Work will be performed in Roseville and is expected to be completed by February 28, 2002. The Space & Naval Warfare Systems Command's Systems Center Charleston is the grant awarding activity (N65236-99-1-5422).

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